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LOWELL



THE CITY OF LOWELL owes its leading position among the manufacturing cities of New England to the enormous water power which has been developed here from the Merrimack, a river, by the way, which turns more wheels than any stream of its class in the world. The Pawtucket Falls, the source of power at this point, was a favorite fishing place for the Indians in the past, and we must go back many centuries to find a time when the human voice was not heard in this vicinity.

The town was established in 1826, and the name Lowell given in honor of a gentleman in Newburyport who introduced cotton manufacture into the United States.

The population of the City now exceeds 100,000, a very large percentage of whom are employed in the several hundred factory buildings within the limits of the municipality.

The chief industry is the manufacture of cotton goods, but there is also an enormous production of woollens, carpetings, hosiery, patent medicines, etc.

LOWELL has many fine public buildings, excellent stores, unsurpassed educational institutions, and is in every way a community of metropolitan rank.

The City is well known as having been the home of Benjamin F. Butler, a figure of national renown in law and politics and a general in the Civil War. A beautiful monument was erected June 18, 1904, to the memory of Butler. The first photograph of this ever taken is reproduced herein. The memorial is a simple, but artistic, example of bas relief.

LOWELL is noted for elaborate private residences, and is unusually well supplied with parks and beauty spots along the Merrimack River.

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NEW COURT HOUSE

Built of a soft white stone brought from the West. Lowell is one of the two shire towns in Middlesex County and sessions of several courts are held in this building.



ARMORY, WESTFORD STREET, CORNER OF GRAND STREET

The military home of two companies of the Sixth Infantry and one of the Ninth. Built by the State in 1890 but maintained by the City.



LOWELL JAIL, OVERLOOKING THE SOUTH COMMON

A county institution, for many years the official home of the sheriff of Middlesex County.



CITY HALL

Dedicated Oct. 14, 1903. It is a granite building finished in oak and cost \$382,300.



POST OFFICE

Voted by Congress in 1890, through the efforts of Hon. Charles H. Allen.



BOARD OF ALDERMEN'S CHAMBER



COMMON COUNCIL CHAMBER



MEMORIAL BLOCK PUBLIC LIBRARY

Dedicated by the City in 1893 as a memorial to the soldiers and sailors of Lowell who lost their lives in the Civil War. Cost \$174,300 and contains the Public Library, a Memorial Hall and quarters for the G. A. R. and other patriotic orders



PERIODICAL ROOM, CITY LIBRARY



FLETCHER STREET FIRE STATION



CENTRAL FIRE STATION, PALMER STREET

The apparatus of the Lowell Fire Department is of the most modern type, and the record of the force in severe fires is a creditable one.



MIDDLESEX STREET STATION

The principal railroad station of Lowell on the direct route from Boston to the Mountains and Montreal.



HUNTINGTON HALL AND MERRIMACK STREET STATION

Huntington Hall, owned by the City, has long been used for political gatherings and mass meetings.



LABORATORY OF C. I. HOOD & COMPANY, THORNDIKE STREET



HILDRETH BUILDING, MERRIMACK STREET AT HEAD OF CENTRAL STREET

One of the largest down-town blocks—on the site of the old Post Office. One half of it is occupied by S. H. Knox & Company with one of their 56 stores.



OLD B. & M. DEPOT, CENTRAL STREET

Now occupied by the Lowell branch of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company.

ELECTRIC LIGHT PLANT

A private enterprise which furnishes the city with electric power.

PUMPING STATION, LOWELL WATER WORKS

West 6th Street. Draws water from artesian wells three miles away and forces it to reservoirs on Christian Hill.

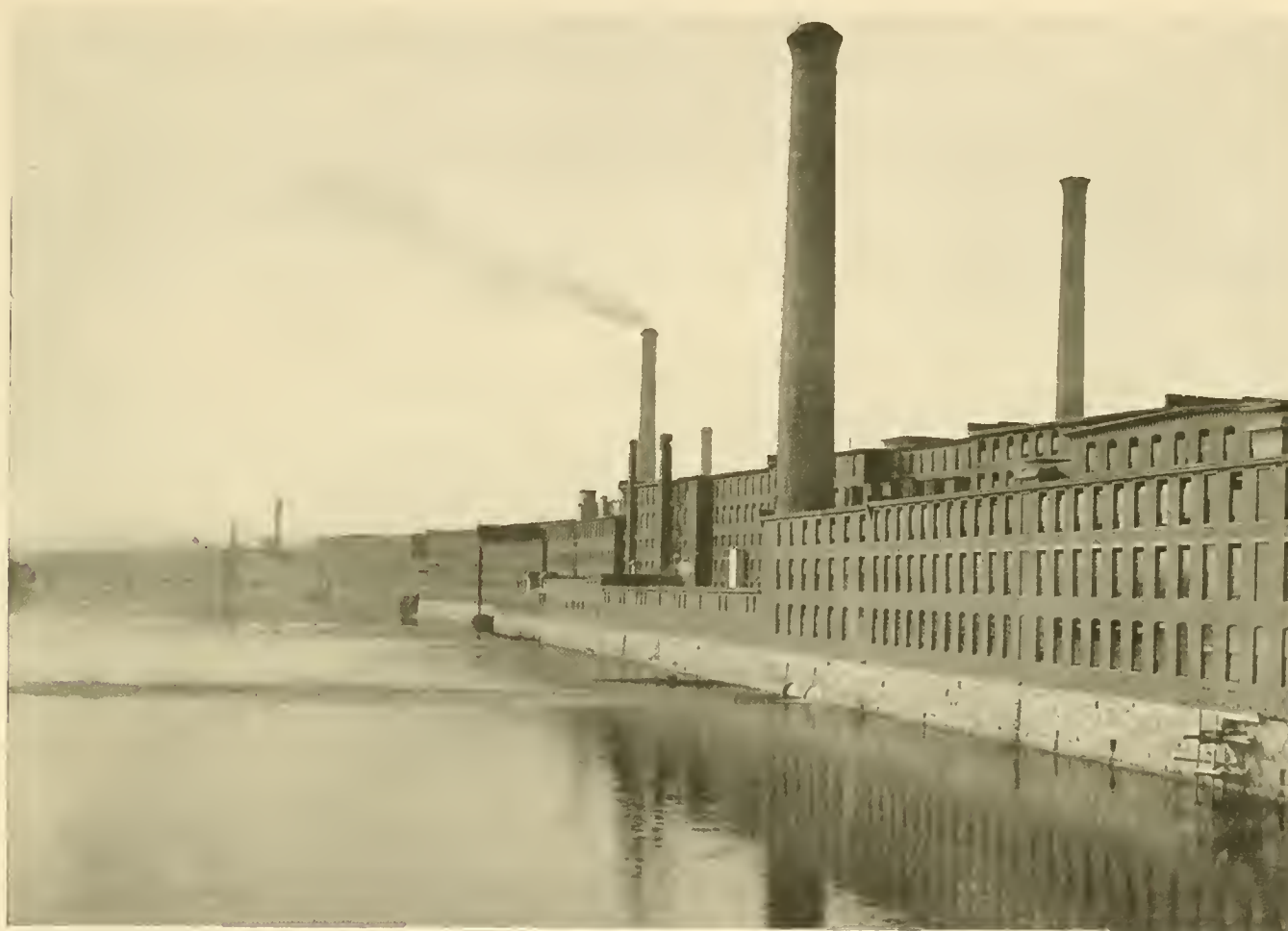


CENTRAL BLOCK, CENTRAL STREET

One of the principal blocks, containing the offices of many of Lowell's professional men.



STIRLING AND BAY STATE WOOLEN MILLS, CONCORD RIVER



LAWRENCE, BOOTT AND MERRIMACK MILLS

Three great cotton goods manufactories extend along the bank of the Merrimack for half a mile and, in the busy season, employ more than 7,000 operatives.



CENTRAL BRIDGE AND MASSACHUSETTS MILLS

This bridge is one of the three steel bridges which span the Merrimack within the city limits. The Massachusetts Mills make a great variety of cotton goods and have the unique distinction of numbering among their regular customers Australian importing houses, Chinese villages, South American Merchants and African Chiefs.



SIX CIRCLE BRIDGE

Spanning the Concord River. Near this bridge two powder magazines exploded in 1903, wrecking the settlement at Riverside Park and causing a heavy loss of life. The bridge was not injured.



CASTO THEATRE

Once the 2nd Universalist Church. The Shattuck Street Universalist Church which formerly occupied this building now worships in Grace Universalist Church.



A GLIMPSE OF MERRIMACK STREET



THE NEW AMERICAN HOTEL BUILDING

A remodelled form of the old American House which played a noteworthy part in the early history of Lowell.



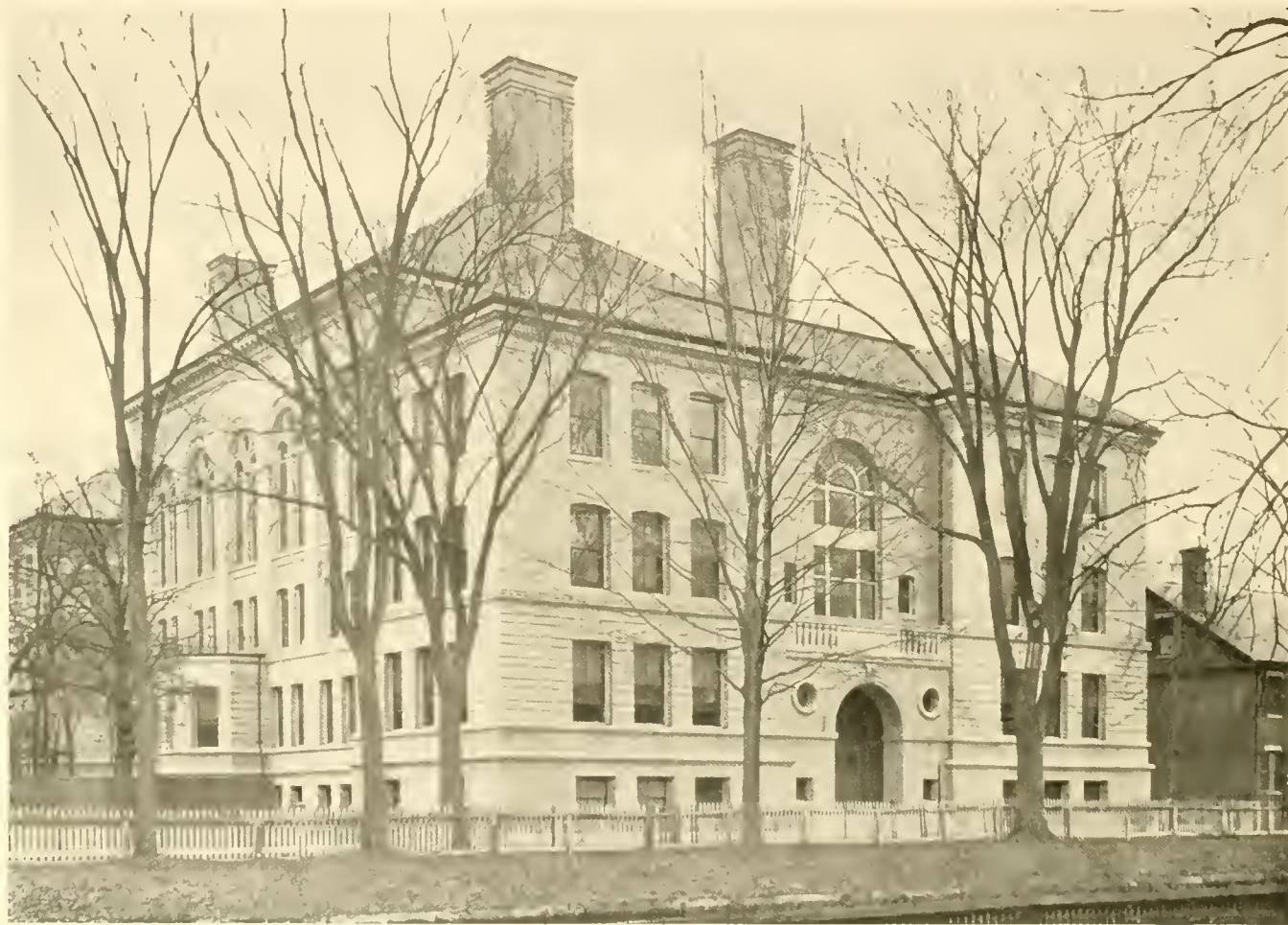
LOWELL TEXTILE SCHOOL

On the Pawtucketville side of the Merrimack River. A co-educational school of instruction in all branches of textile industry, established by the State and enriched by private gifts until it is the finest institution of its kind in the United States.



STATE NORMAL SCHOOL, BROADWAY AND WILDER STREETS

A State building constructed of light brick and containing liberal facilities for training teachers for the public schools.



LOWELL HIGH SCHOOL, KIRK AND ANNE STREETS

Built of light brick with granite trimmings. The total enrollment is nearly 1,000 pupils.



ROGERS HALL SCHOOL, FACING FORT HILL PARK

Occupies the old Rogers' Homestead which was remodelled when the school was established. It is a fitting school for all the leading women's colleges.



ST. JOHN HOSPITAL

A Catholic institution which ministers to all races and creeds.



Y. M. C. A. BUILDING, HURD STREET

Originally a private residence which was purchased and enlarged by the Y. M. C. A.



ST. JEAN BAPTISTE CHURCH, FRENCH, MERRIMACK STREET

A handsome granite structure, built through the efforts of the late Rev. Father Garin. Its parish includes most of the section known as Little Canada.



CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, EAST MERRIMACK STREET

A massive stone structure, with a seating capacity of 2,000, built 1871-7 and dedicated in June of the latter year.



ST. ANNE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The first church built in Lowell and a noteworthy example of old English architecture. For nearly sixty years its pastor was the Rev. Theodore Edson, D. D.

HIGHLAND CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Built in 1884 in the heart of the residential district known as the Highlands.



GRACE CHURCH, UNIVERSALIST

Corner Princeton and South Canton Streets. Built of brick in a unique style of architecture, a combination of mosque and modern house of worship.



ST. PETER'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Gorham Street, opposite the County Court House. Built of granite and dedicated in 1903, its interior decorations make it the most magnificent church in Lowell.



SACRED HEART CHURCH, ROMAN CATHOLIC, MOORE STREET

A brick edifice which is the house of worship of an active parish organized by the Oblate Fathers in 1884.



SIRK'S BLOCK, BRIDGE STREET. LOWELL'S LARGEST APARTMENT HOUSE

Several brick corporation boarding houses were remodelled and combined to make this immense building.



ANDOVER STREET

Showing the Hoyt Mansion, residence of the late E. W. Hoyt.

RESIDENCE OF H. L. TIBBETTS

Mansur Street

RESIDENCE OF A. G. POLLARD, Mansur Street



RESIDENCE OF F. FIFIELD, EX-MAYOR

RESIDENCE OF J. L. CHALIFOUX, Wilder Street
RESIDENCE OF W. A. INGHAM



HIGHLAND CLUB, PRINCETON STREET

A social club composed of residents of the Highlands. The club house is handsomely fitted up and contains a little theatre for amateur productions.



BOAT HOUSE, VESPER COUNTRY CLUB



YORICK CLUB, DUTTON STREET

The club house contains living quarters for members whose families are out of the city and is luxurious in its appointments and famous for its cuisine.



CLUB HOUSE AT VESPER COUNTRY CLUB

A delightful old structure on Tyng's Island. The surrounding grounds, an hundred acres in extent, are laid out for golf and other outdoor sports.



FORT HILL PARK

The site of an old Indian Fort, presented to the city by the Misses Rogers.



BEACON STREET RESERVOIR

The largest of the city reservoirs, with a capacity of 32,000,000 gallons.

SPEEDWAY



CANAL WALK AND RAPIDS, MERRIMACK RIVER

In the early days of the City the water power of this system of canals and locks operated all the mills.

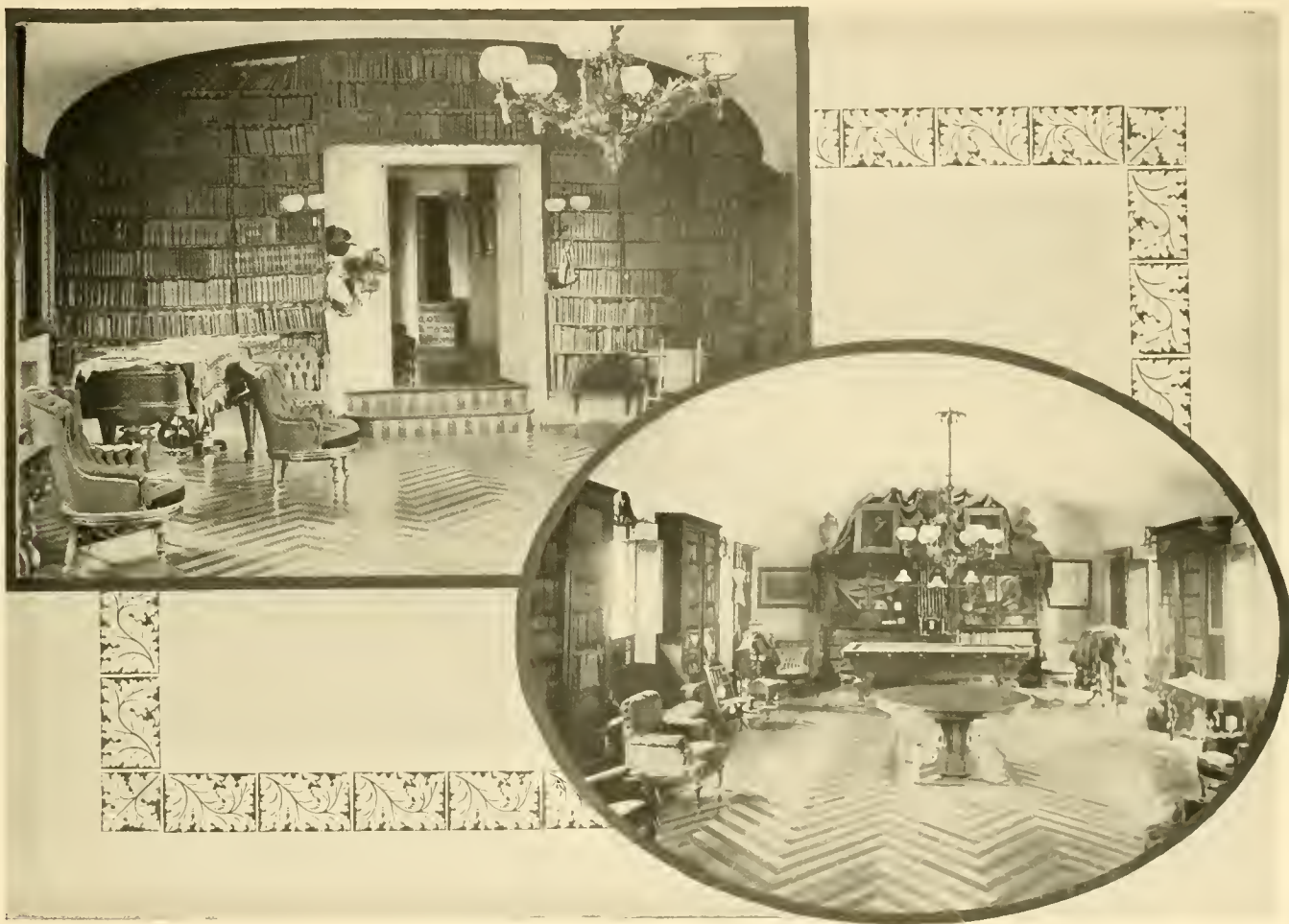


WINTER ON THE MERRIMACK

PAWTUCKET FALLS, MERRIMACK RIVER



RESIDENCE OF THE LATE B. F. BUTLER



TWO VIEWS OF R. F. BUTLER'S LIBRARY



B. F. BUTLER'S GRAVE
Hildreth Cemetery



NEW MONUMENT OF B. F. BUTLER
Hildreth Cemetery. Erected June 18, 1904.



GATEWAY, LOWELL CEMETERY



LION ON LOT OF FREDERIC AYER
Lowell Cemetery

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MONUMENT ON K. O. P. LOT
Edson Cemetery.



MONUMENT OVER THE ELK'S LOT
Edson Cemetery.

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